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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: AUTONOMOUS ZONE FORMING

**COMMUNICATION APPARATUS** 

AND AUTONOMOUS ZONE FORMING

**METHOD** 

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 8 as follows:

8. (Amended) The communication apparatus as claimed in claims 1 or 2, further comprising:

a part which autonomously determines which pattern is used in which a plurality of patterns of said zone which is said service area of said base station are prepared.